



# Hampton Police Division Media Release

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## **HOMICIDE ARREST**

On Sunday, April 10, 2005, police were notified by medial staff at MCV Hospital that Samaria Xiona Mitchell died of injuries received during a battery inflicted by her father. Detectives charged Elijah Tyrone Mitchell, a 21 year old residing in the first block of Twin Lakes Circle, with her murder.

On March 19, 2005, at approximately 8:30 pm, police responded to the Sentara CarePlex to investigate the abuse of a five-week-old child. The investigation indicates that the infant sustained brain damage during a battery inflicted by Elijah Tyrone Mitchell. Mary Lee Mitchell, mother of the child, waited two days to provide medial treatment for the severely injured child.

Detectives initially charged Elijah Tyrone Mitchell with battery; he now faces murder. Mary Mitchell was charged with child neglect.



Elijah Tyrone Mitchell



Mary Lee Mitchell

Corporal Jimmie Wideman will receive questions about this release at 757-727-6638.

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